

Proclamation 4600

September 21, 1978

Temporary Staged Reduction of Rates of Duty on Certain Products

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

1. The President has determined, pursuant to section 101(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 (the Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. 2111(a)), that certain existing duties of the United States are unduly burdening and restricting the foreign trade of the United States and that one or more of the purposes of the Trade Act would be promoted by entering into the trade agreement with India identified in the fifth recital of this proclamation.

2. Pursuant to section 131(a) of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2151(a)), the President, on January 14, 1975, published and furnished the United States International Trade Commission (USITC) with lists of articles which may be considered for modifications or continuance of the existing United States duties, continuance of United States duty-free or excise treatment, or additional duties, in the negotiation of trade agreements, including the trade agreement with India identified in the fifth recital of this proclamation. The USITC, after holding public hearings, has advised the President with respect to each such article of its judgment as to the probable economic effect of such modifications of duties on industries producing like or directly competitive articles and on consumers.

3. Pursuant to section 133 of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2153) and in accordance with section 4(c) of Executive Order No. 11846 of March 27, 1975, the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations designated the Trade Policy Staff Committee to afford an opportunity, through public hearings and other means, for any interested person to present his views concerning any article on the lists identified in the second recital of this proclamation or any other matter relevant to the trade agreement negotiations, including the negotiation of the trade agreement with India identified in the fifth recital of this proclamation. The Trade Policy Staff Committee has furnished the President with a summary of its hearings. 19 USC 2111 note.

4. Pursuant to section 132 of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2152) the President has received information and advice with respect to the trade agreement with India identified in the fifth recital of this proclamation, from the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Interior, Labor, State and the Treasury, from the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations, and from such other sources as the President has deemed appropriate.

5. Pursuant to section 101(a) of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2111(a)), the President, through his duly empowered representative, on July 26, 1978, entered into a temporary trade agreement with India pursuant to which United States rates of duty on certain products would be temporarily modified, as hereafter proclaimed and as provided for in the Annexes to this proclamation, in exchange for certain measures which will benefit United States exports to India.

6. In order to implement the trade agreement referred to in recital 5 of this proclamation it is necessary to modify the Appendix to the Tariff Schedules of the United States (TSUS) (19 U.S.C. 1202) as provided for in the Annexes to this proclamation, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, acting under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the statutes, including sections 101, 109, and 604 of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2111, 2119 and 2483), do proclaim that—

(1) Part 2 of the Appendix to the TSUS is modified as provided in Annexes I and II to this proclamation.

(2) Each of the temporary modifications to the Appendix of the TSUS made by this proclamation shall be effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after October 1, 1978, and each such modification will continue in force until it is superseded by a permanent modification of the appropriate provision in schedule 1, 3, 4, or 5 of the TSUS proclaimed pursuant to multilateral negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-first day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and third.

JIMMY CARTER

ANNEX I

Part 2 of the Appendix to the Tariff Schedules of the United States is modified by inserting the following new subpart C immediately following subpart B:

Item	Article	Rates of Duty	
		1	2
Subpart C.—Reduced Duties, Pursuant to Temporary Trade Agreements			
946.02	Frog meat (except meat offal), fresh, chilled, or frozen (provided for in item 106.60)	Free	No change
946.14	Mangoes, prepared or preserved (provided for in item 147.96)	2.3¢ per lb.	No change
	Yarns and roving, of jute:		
	Singles:		
946.42	Measuring under 720 yards per pound (provided for in item 305.20)	4.5% ad val.	No change
946.44	Measuring 720 yards or over per pound (provided for in item 305.22)	8% ad val.	No change
946.46	Plied, measuring under 720 yards per pound (provided for in item 305.28)	7% ad val.	No change
946.50	Woven fabrics, wholly of jute, bleached, colored, or flame resistant (provided for in item 335.50)	1% ad val.	No change
946.52	Webbing of jute (provided for in item 347.30) .	11% ad val.	No change
	Floor coverings of pile or tufted construction, of textile materials, in which the pile was inserted or knotted during weaving or knitting:		
	With pile hand-inserted or hand-knotted:		
	With not over 50 percent by weight of the pile being hair of the alpaca, guanaco, huarizo, llama, misti, suri, or any combination of these hairs:		
946.54	Valued over 66¢ cents per square foot, with not over 160 knots per square inch (provided for in item 360.15)	8% ad val.	No change
946.56	With pile not hand-inserted and not hand-knotted, of coir (provided for in item 360.35)	3.6¢ per sq. ft.	No change
946.58	Bags and sacks, or other shipping containers, of vegetable fibers, except cotton, not bleached, not colored, and not rendered non-flammable (provided for in item 385.45) ..	Free	No change
946.60	Pile matting and pile mats, of coir (not including floor coverings) (provided for in item 385.95)	4.2¢ per sq. ft.	No change

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Item	Article	Rates of Duty	
		1	2
946.62	Opium (provided for in item 435.70) ... Free		No change
	Mica, cut or stamped to dimensions, shape, or form, whether or not perforated or indented, and whether or not dedicated to a specific use:		
946.64	Not over 0.006 inch in thickness (provided for in item 516.71)	8% ad val.	No change
946.66	Over 0.006 inch in thickness and perforated or indented (provided for in item 516.76)	9.5% ad val.	No change
946.68	Articles not specially provided for, of mica (provided for in item 516.94)	9.5% ad val.	No change

ANNEX II

Staged-rate Modification of the Tariff Schedules of the United States

Each rate in the following table, for an item in the Appendix to the Tariff Schedules of the United States (TSUS) identified therein, is inserted in column numbered 1 in such item, effective for articles provided for therein which are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on and after the date at the head of the column in which such rate is set forth and, except for rates in the final column, such rate shall be superseded by the rate for that item in the immediately following column, effective for articles which are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on and after the date at the head of such latter column:

Item in TSUS as Modified by Annex I	Rates of duty, effective on and after October 1,—			
	1978	1979	1980	1981
946.02	Free	Free	Free	Free
946.14	2.3¢ per lb.	1.5¢ per lb.	1.5¢ per lb.	1.5¢ per lb.
946.42	4.5% ad val.	3% ad val.	3% ad val.	3% ad val.
946.44	8% ad val.	5% ad val.	4.4% ad val.	4.4% ad val.
946.46	7% ad val.	4% ad val.	4% ad val.	4% ad val.
943.50	1% ad val.	1% ad val.	1% ad val.	1% ad val.
946.52	11% ad val.	8% ad val.	5.6% ad val.	5.6% ad val.
946.54	8% ad val.	8% ad val.	8% ad val.	8% ad val.
946.56	3.6¢ per sq. ft.	2.2¢ per sq. ft.	2¢ per sq. ft.	2¢ per sq. ft.
946.58	Free	Free	Free	Free
946.60	4.2¢ per sq. ft.	3.4¢ per sq. ft.	2.6¢ per sq. ft.	2¢ per sq. ft.
946.62	Free	Free	Free	Free
946.64	8% ad val.	5% ad val.	4.4% ad val.	4.4% ad val.
946.66	9.5% ad val.	6.5% ad val.	5% ad val.	5% ad val.
946.68	9.5% ad val.	6.5% ad val.	5% ad val.	5% ad val.

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National Good Neighbor Day, 1978

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

As our Nation struggles to build friendship among the peoples of this world, we are mindful that the noblest human concern is concern for others.